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CHARLES ALEXANDER, PUBLISHER, No. 112 CHESNUT STREET, OPPOSITE TO THE POST-OFFICE.—TERMS \$8 PER ANNUM, PAYABLE HALF YEARLY IN ADVANCE.

Davy was easily persuaded, his addresses were recounted from beginning to a succession of glasses filled up every second, and before he had concluded he seemed to have a whole convive of Clergymen. He was then staggered, and he afterwards became the butt of a fresh joke; for as Davy was in the spence, one of the butch-  
dashed steep into the kitchen and placed mat-  
in statu quo, by smothering the ext and  
in consequence of the plot. By the way, he  
he was well to live, and demanded an im-  
mate audience of his master. The Minister  
na, and was greatly offended to find Davy,  
to call him, so open talking to him in liquor,  
we were there was no use talking to him in  
that night, he opened the bag with his own  
its, and dragged into day, or candle-light,  
a cat-witch or a witch-ent, but the Henti-  
topography of such things, and the Henti-  
monstrous. Poor Davy was terribly laughed at  
fortified as his nerves were with drink, he  
sed and stared like a person possessed, in-



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people of color and ragged boys—their interesting class of beings celebrated for their love of fun and the strength of their lungs. Mr. Comstock commenced reading his advertisement, which consisted of several distinct articles, setting forth proper questions of persons to be sworn to testify in the courts of justice. The crowd demanded that the articles should be read a second time, and finally they passed, amidst great clamor, to a third reading. The uproar now became very considerable. Some persons in the multitude nominated Mr. Comstock to be a Justice of the State, others as Senator, and finally he was nominated with acclamation as a candidate for the House of Assembly. The candidate then proceeded to thank his fellow citizens, and began a harangue in which he undertook to point out the duties of a witness, and the manner in which it was received with loud applause and cries, in which the word "cider" was articulated with great emphasis. In the midst of his harangue the orator was interrupted by High Constable Hays, who begged his attendance for a few moments at the court-house. Mr. Comstock then addressed the Magistrate, Mr. Comstock explained that he was addressing persons who were peaceably assembled to hear him on what he thought an important subject. The Justice told him that this assemblage was noisy and riotous and could not be permitted to continue. He then ordered liberty to withdraw, on giving a promise to desist from exciting such disturbances in future. Mr. C. explained—spoke of an important duty to the public he had to perform—the right of a candidate to address those on whom he relies for their support. He then proceeded to deliver a remarkable. During this explanation he wore his hat, on the ground of his being a Friend, but which he took off somewhat unwillingly at the order of the magistrate. At length he gave the promise required, and was permitted to depart.

Regarding the present issue, in account of the matter, in an advertisement which appears in our paper to-day, and in the middle of which he has inserted a notice that he sells cider and porter at reasonable rates, there set down. His advertisement reminds us of one from a Frenchman, published many years ago in a Boston print. It began with announcing the fact of the loss, described the personal appearance of the child, and concluded with this sentence—"Any person who may find and restore the said child shall receive the sum of ten thousand dollars." The advertiser also sent French Brandy."—*N. Y. Evening Post.*

**SWEARING.**—In the report of the trial of Swearing for the murder of his wife, the court refused to permit a witness to be sworn in any other manner than by kissing the Book. "Dr. Miller being called as a witness, upon coming to be sworn, raised his right hand—the Court informed him that there was but one way. The witness here, unless he was conscientiously scrupulous, and asked him to what denomination he was attached?" Dr. Miller said the Presbyterian Church. "But that he was not conscientious on that head; his objections were these.—1st. It is a calculated insult to those who are not of that faith. He might contract some contagious disorder by kissing the sheepskin, where so many had preceded him—but said he was willing to comply with the rules; it being usual in Pennsylvania, where he formerly resided, to be allowed a choice if desired. He was then sworn on the Book.

*From the Buffalo Journal.*

**NIAGARA FALLS.—The Biddle Stair-way.**  
The public are informed that a stair-way of granite, and of the best quality, has been laid out of Iris Island, affording a safe and easy passage to a position more favourable than any other, for viewing the stupendous work of nature, and hitherto inaccessible, except now and then, to a few persons of fortune and adventure. The elevation of the island above the margin of the river or basin below is 185 feet. The descent of the first 40 feet is effected by a flight of steps, commencing in the interior of the island and descending on an inclined plane to the brow of the falls. From the summit of the island, a walk is led on both sides; the second light is a spiral stair way of 88 steps, down a perpendicular building in the shape of a hexagon, seventy feet high and 9 feet in diameter, resting on a strong timber frame work, bedded on a foundation of solid granite. The third light is a double oak, 70 feet in length, 20 inches in diameter at bottom, and 12 at top; and by 12 corresponding tiers of perpendicular posts, which form the exterior of the building and rests on the same foundation with the main shaft, to which they are chained, and secured by bolts of iron, which sustain the steps—and the whole handsomely enclosed with clapboards. From the foot of the building to the river below (about 80 feet) are three paths formed of stone steps, and leading to the water in different directions.

This stair-way is the effect of the late Governor of the Falls. It enables the visitor to place himself at the bottom of the abyss, midway between the two descending sheets, where, surrounded by rushing waters and impending rocks, the spectacle is magnificently sublime and electrifying. It is the only place where the visitor can see the waters of the western waters—the discovery having been recently made that the extensive harbor or eddy between the two falls abounds with fish of the largest and finest kinds that inhabit our waters. Fish find their way without difficulty to the lower part of the falls, where their further progress is arrested by the falls; and they form a rendezvous in this extensive pool of pure water, where they find abundance of food in the debris of the falls, where they are easily taken, at any time of day, with a hook and line.

The stair-way was the gift of the late Governor, to Nicholas Biddle, Esq., President of the Bank of the United States, who was lately on a visit to the Falls, and learning that the spiral stairway on the British side had been built by the subscriptions of certain citizens of Boston, he thought it would be a great improvement to Nicholas Biddle, Esq., President of the Bank of the United States, who was lately on a visit to the Falls, and learning that the spiral stairway on the British side had been built by the subscriptions of certain citizens of Boston, he thought it would be a great improvement to the Falls. It would be added to the scenery by making the basin of Iris Island accessible, generously proposed to one of the proprietors of the island, to commence the construction of the island, to commence the construction of the island, and draw on him for the expense.

**MAIL ROBBERY.**  
A letter received in New-York, dated Savannah, Sept. 23d, says:—"The mail of the 19th from hence to Augusta, has been broken open, and the contents of the mail-bags sent to the Government. It is in that mail—we hope we shall recover it. All the drivers have been arrested."

Another letter, received by the same house, dated Augusta, Sept. 21st, gives the following particulars:—"The mail is carried in a sulkey, drawn by a mule, and is accompanied by a driver (8 o'clock) when the postmaster immediately discovered that it had been cut or torn at one end, and the small bag, which was sealed, containing the Augusta and other packages, broken open, and all the Augusta letters taken out. The driver says he knows nothing of the recent happening. He is in custody, and the Postmaster has sent an express to Savannah, to endeavor to ascertain the facts."

The Savannah Georgia states that the packages missing are those from Augusta, Milledgeville, Macon, Hamburg, Athens, and Cincinnati. One of the drivers of the mail had \$684 stolen, and we are inclined to believe that other gentlemen in different parts of the country have been considerable losers.

**DEATH FIRE AT AUGUSTA.**—The Augusta (Geo.) Fire of Sept. 24th, gives the following particulars:—"The fire was caused by fire by which that city has been afflicted."

We have again to record an extensive destruction of property, in our recently unfortunate city. About 20 minutes after 3 o'clock this morning, our citizens were aroused by the appalling cry of fire. The fire was caused by the double chimney building, on Broad street, the

decided to burn the City Hotel in the second  
 story above John Guimaraes and Dr. Robertson,  
 which was soon enveloped with the destructive  
 element. All attempts to suppress the flames  
 were deemed to be in vain, and the fate of the  
 adjoining buildings uncertain. The fire  
 broke out at Broadway street, still it reached Spence's  
 corner, thence along Washington street,  
 till it reached the large dwelling of our worthy  
 fellow-citizen, William Micou, Esq. which was  
 burnt below, it soon communicated to the City  
 Hotel, and down Broadway street, to the brick build-  
 ing of Mr. Phinney, which was the last which was  
 several times on fire, but finally saved.  
 Every house, from Mr. Micou's, on Wash-  
 ington street, to Mr. Phinney's, on Broad street,  
 is burnt.  
 The following believe to be a correct list of  
 the names and occupations of the persons  
 who inhabited the buildings burnt, viz:—on  
 Broad street, John Guimaraes, silver smith; Dr.  
 Robertson; Edward Couch, grocer; Munroe  
 and Warren, City Hotel; Wm. Robertson, mer-  
 chant; James Leeward, druggist; C. Prentiss,  
 merchant; ———— Wood, tailor; Hall and Hardin,  
 dry goods and groceries; Joseph Airtz, dry goods;  
 James Bones, crockery and glass ware; M. J. A.  
 Warren dry goods; Alexander Spencer, dry  
 goods; and Wm. bones, hardware and emery.  
 On Washington street, the persons who were  
 occupied as dwellings by John Smith and others,  
 and the large dwelling of Mr. Micou. Butcher  
 stores, kitchens, &c.  
 Every thing was perfectly dry, our city having  
 been without rain since the 27th ult. The wind  
 was quite still, and the fire raged for upwards of  
 two hours.  
 What portion of the property destroyed was  
 insured, we are not informed—a large quantity  
 of goods was removed and saved. How the fire  
 originated, we have not ascertained.  
 The following persons were engaged by  
 Julius, the Drayman, in furnishing the engine  
 with water, by means of some half-dozen Drays  
 under his charge, we think merit high commendation.  
 Letter from Augusta, dated Sept. 24th, says  
 "The loss is \$100,000 at the best moment."  
 The insurance was insured by the Hartford Insurance  
 Co. at Hartford, Conn. and those New York  
 companies who have agents in Augusta. The  
 Citizens Insurance Co. at Hartford has about \$1,000,000,  
 the Mechanics' Co. at Newark, N. J., about  
 \$500,000, and the Commercial Union Insurance  
 Co. about \$5,000, and a considerable  
 amount is covered in Charleston. Other letters  
 corroborate these statements, with some variations.  
 Mr. DURANT DE ST. ANDRE having produced  
 to the President of the United States his  
 commission as Consul General of His Majesty  
 the King of France, to reside at New York,  
 has been recognized as such.  
 JEAN BAPTISTE PAUL ADAMS DAWNEY,  
 having produced to the President of the  
 United States his commission as Consul of His  
 Majesty the King of France, for the Port of  
 Philadelphia, in the State of Pennsylvania, has  
 been recognized as such.  
 JAMES M. HAYES, having produced to the  
 President of the United States his commission  
 of Vice Consul of His Majesty the King of  
 France, for the Port of Boston, in the State of  
 Massachusetts, has been recognized as such.  
 A fire ladder has been lately invented by  
 Mr. Leslie, of Salem, Mass. which promises to  
 be very useful; "The latter when drawn together  
 or measures fourteen feet in length, and when  
 extended, forty-two feet; so that it will reach  
 the upper story of the highest buildings. The  
 ladder is made of iron, and is composed of three  
 parts, the first part is a long iron ladder, and  
 furnished with a rack work, going the whole  
 length on each side, the ends of which work  
 on a pinion driven by a winch on the side of the  
 ladder. When it is raised against the side of  
 the building it is locked, and the inner part  
 extends upwards, till it takes the place of the  
 second part which takes the pinion, and if neces-  
 sary to reach to a greater height, is raised  
 also to the whole extent of the ladder. There  
 are provided on each side of the ladder, ropes  
 on which it may be ascended, if necessary, a han-  
 dle, by means of which persons can be let down  
 in safety from the highest stories."  
 BROOKLYN THEATRE.—It is too well known  
 to our readers, that a large wooden shed, the  
 building was some time ago erected in this vil-  
 lage, originally as a Circus, and afterwards  
 called "The Brooklyn Theatre"; and that it has  
 been any thing else than what a Theatre  
 should be. It never met the taste of our intel-  
 ligent friends, and it has been used only occa-  
 sionally by beggarly adventurers. A few  
 weeks ago a company took possession, and  
 gave up performances which did not result in much  
 profit to any one. On Wednesday night, the  
 23d ult. one of these plays having been an-  
 nounced bills throughout the village, a con-  
 siderable number of auditors were in the seats,  
 but the players did not make their appearance.  
 After some time the play or the pay was loudly  
 called for, but it appeared that neither could  
 be obtained—all had "cleared out," and only  
 a few persons remained in the theatre. The en-  
 raged persons could take satisfaction.  
 The manager accordingly did some injury to the furni-  
 ture and windows before the constable could  
 quell them. Thus terminated the last act at  
 the Brooklyn Theatre.—*Brooklyn N. Y. Star*.  
 Accounts from Sierra Leone to the 21st of  
 June, represent the colony as very sickly.  
 Many deaths had occurred among the older res-  
 idents. It was also sickly among the shipping.  
 Among the deceased are Mr. Kenneth Macauley,  
 L.L.D., and Mr. John Macauley.  
 The London papers announce the failure of  
 the house of Saunders and Brothers.  
 A more glorious victory cannot be gained  
 over another man, than this, that when the up-  
 per part of his nature, the kindness should begin  
 on ours.—*Tillotson*.  
 The first part of a newspaper which an ill na-  
 tured man examines, is the list of bankrupts  
 and the bills of mortality.—*Shenstone*.  
 Silence never shows its strength so great as in  
 the presence of a noisy crowd.—The reply of a  
 man of sense to a noisy crowd, is silence and  
 denigration: provided that we give no just  
 occasion for them.—*Steele*.  
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 PRICE OF FIFTH STREET, sold at Mallon's Office,  
 No. 31 North Fifth Street, L. W. MALLON, S.  
 TWO MORE CAPITALS,  
 SOLD on Saturday, at the Farmers' and Mer-  
 chants' Lottery and Exchange office, No. 72  
 North Third street, below Dock street.  
 A. M. NUTT.  
 N. B. The next Union will draw on Saturday week.  
 The prizes and shares for sale as above.  
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 NEW YORK TRADE SALE.  
 The Subscriber informs the Trade that his  
 semi-annual sale will take place on the 12th of  
 October. He has received many valuable invoices from  
 his correspondents abroad, and solicits the Bookellers  
 and Stationers to send in their orders as early as  
 possible. From the list of contributors already en-  
 gaged, an extensive and valuable Catalogue is con-  
 siderably anticipated. There are also engaged for  
 the sale, a large quantity of new and choice  
 from the Manufacturer, a great variety of Book Binders'  
 Tools, &c. It is expected that there will be a great  
 meeting of the Trade on the 12th of October, and  
 to see every exertion to give satisfaction to buyers  
 and sellers. The first Catalogue will be issued on the 18th  
 of October, and the 21st on the 24th of October.  
 J. H. PEARSON, S.  
 REMOVAL.  
 The subscriber respectfully informs the pub-  
 lic that he has removed to the BREWERY  
 corner of TENTH AND FILBERT STREETS  
 above Market street.  
 M. L. DAWSON, S.  
 All orders by express through the City of New York.  
 No. 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524

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